



State of Wisconsin  
2021 - 2022 LEGISLATURE

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## 2021 SENATE BILL 292

April 8, 2021 - Introduced by Senators WIMBERGER, WANGGAARD, BALLWEG and DARLING, cosponsored by Representatives SORTWELL, STEFFEN, BOWEN, BRANDTJEN, CABRAL-GUEVARA, GUNDRUM, MACCO, MAGNAFICI, MOSES, MURPHY, RAMTHUN, SKOWRONSKI, TUSLER, WICHGERS, KNODL and NEYLON. Referred to Committee on Elections, Election Process Reform and Ethics.

1 **AN ACT to create** 7.53 (5) of the statutes; **relating to:** broadcasting election night  
2 proceedings.

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*Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

Under this bill, if a municipality broadcasts canvassing proceedings live in any election, including by live stream on the Internet, the municipality must record the broadcast, and the municipal clerk must retain the recording for 22 months.

For further information see the local fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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*The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

3 **SECTION 1.** 7.53 (5) of the statutes is created to read:

4 7.53 (5) LIVE BROADCASTS. If a municipality broadcasts canvassing proceedings  
5 live in any election, including by live stream on the Internet, the municipality shall  
6 record the broadcast, and the municipal clerk shall retain the recording for the period  
7 specified in s. 7.23 (1) (f).

8 (END)